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ISLANDS OURS BY RIGHT OF CONQUEST

Spain Plainly Informed of
America's Intentions.

DISCUSSIONS AT AN END

Mr. McKinley's Definition of the
Disputed Clause.

Senator's Representatives Expected to
Now Devote Their Energies to
Obtaining a Money Indemnity.

"The consideration of Spanish sovereignty in the Philippines has been eliminated from the peace negotiations at Paris, so far as this country is concerned," said a high official today. "President McKinley, Secretary Hay and Attorney General Griggs defined the disputed clause in the protocol at their conference yesterday. That definition was couched in the plainest and most unmistakable English, and will permit of no further contentions or quibblings.

"It is that Spanish sovereignty in the Philippines has ceased and the islands are ours by right of conquest and will be held in their entirety as a portion of the war indemnity.

"Spain may make another show of resistance at the meeting of the Peace Commissioners on Saturday, but I believe after that bluff for theatrical effect, with all Europe as an audience, the Spanish Commissioners, under directions from Sagasta, will submit so far as Philippine sovereignty is concerned and devote their energies to securing from the United States as large a sum of money as possible.

"It is only reasonable to believe that the Spanish government will acquiesce in the final American ultimatum, which, according to yesterday's instructions, will permit of no further haggling. Sagasta's only other alternative, therefore, would be to withdraw his Commissioners from the Paris conference, which will result in the resumption of hostilities. Then, not only would the Philippines be lost to Spain forever, beyond all hope, but the Canary Islands and the Carolines would form the subjects for future peace negotiations.

"I believe," concluded the official, "that when the Peace Commission meets on Saturday, Spain will yield under protest to the inevitable. This country has defined the Philippines' clause of the protocol and it has passed into diplomatic history. There can, therefore, be no further negotiations on that point, nor can there be any submission of the question to arbitration as Spain has proposed."

Aguañado at Work in Berlin.
A report was in circulation at the State Department today that when Angonilla (Aguañado's traveling name) disappeared from Paris some time ago he proceeded to Berlin and opened negotiations with the German government for the sale to that country of certain islands in the Philippine group now held, he claimed, by the insurgents.

Aguañado, in the hands of a clever German diplomat, it is claimed, represented to the German foreign office that the Philippines had never recognized the sovereignty of the Americans and never would, and so far as Spanish sovereignty was concerned, it does not exist, as the Philippine army, being an important part of the army of conquest, had extensive rights in the archipelago both by conquest and natural right.

These representations are said to have made an impression upon the German government.

One result of the work of Angonilla at Berlin is believed to be a new cablegram asserting that Germany intends to call upon the United States to keep hands off the Philippines as that country has acquired prior rights by purchase to the islands.

"It may be," stated an official, "that Germany entered into a deal with Angonilla through his representative, Angonilla, while the peace negotiations were in progress at Paris, and will hold, therefore, that the question of sovereignty over the archipelago cannot be settled without the concurrence of Angonilla's government, which first began the war with Spain and still continues the fighting.

"The alarming reports of the capture and threatened massacre at Iloilo are believed to be part of the German-Philippine program, which if current reports are true, may add serious complications to the situation."

GERMANY'S CLAIMS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Alleged Secret Information That the
Is Preparing a Demand Upon
America.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Nov. 17.—The Enquirer's Washington correspondent says the German government has secret information that America relinquishes the Philippines on the ground that Germany has acquired rights there by purchase from Spain.

The correspondent cites as corroborative evidence the present activity in our navy yards, the insistence of the Philippine insurgents, and the strengthening of the German fleet in Manila Bay.

He says Germany has furnished arms and ammunition to Angonilla. He also says the proposition to make Admiral Schley commander of the new European squadron is in this connection and that Schley is to be in wait for Germany's first movement in the Mediterranean.

ALLEGED INVITATION TO THE POWERS

Rumor That Italy Is Prepared to Act
Against America in the Phil-
ippine Dispute.

Rome, Nov. 17.—There is reason to believe that the Italian government has called the attention of the powers to the opportunity offered for diplomatic action

KAISER ABANDONS HIS TRIP TO SPAIN

Sudden and Mysterious Move
of the German Emperor.

SURPRISE TO DIPLOMATS

Health of the Emperor Given as
an Excuse.

Sudden Termination of the Tour Is,
However, Believed to Be Due
to Other Reasons.

Berlin, Nov. 17.—It is announced here that the Kaiser sailed from Malta today for Pola, on the Adriatic Sea, from which place he will travel overland to Berlin, thus abandoning his visits to Spanish and English ports.

This sudden termination of the Emperor's tour has caused surprise and speculation.

The reason given is that Wilhelm decided on this course because he feared the cool temperature now prevailing in the Mediterranean might affect the health of the Emperor.

This is looked upon as a diplomatic fiction.

Malta, Nov. 17.—The Imperial yacht Hohenzollern, with the German Emperor on board, sailed out of this harbor today, escorted by the German cruiser Hela. Her previous destination is not known, but it is supposed that her next call will be at some Italian port.

The Emperor during his visit here maintained the strictest incognito. He did not land, but took occasion to inspect several British warships lying here. The Emperor landed privately yesterday and visited the governor's palace.

CARLIST RISINGS IN NORTHERN SPAIN

ALARM OF THE GOVERNMENT

Great Excitement Because of a Re-
volt of the Opponents of the
Present Dynasty.

Madrid, Nov. 16, via Biarritz, Nov. 17.—The government is greatly alarmed over the imminence of a Carlist rising in the North of Spain and has adopted strong measures to prevent it.

The Carlists, however, are greatly encouraged as the ministers are anxious over the actual situation which is ripe for revolt.

The military authorities in various parts of the kingdom have been instructed how to act in case of a Carlist rising, and the movements of all prominent partisans of Don Carlos are being carefully watched.

RE-ENFORCEMENTS TO GREET MARCHAND

A Report That Soldiers and Supplies
Will Meet Him Upon His Re-
turn to Fashoda.

London, Nov. 17.—The Birmingham Post learns from a Belgian source that Major Marchand upon his return to Fashoda will probably find at that place several French officers, including Col. Fouque, with re-enforcements and supplies.

A column of French soldiers under command of Lieut. Roulet, also may have arrived at Fashoda.

BRIGHTWOOD ROAD FILES AN EXCEPTION

RECIPROCAL TRACKAGE CASE

Asserts That the Metropolitan Com-
pany Did Not File Answer, as
Required by the Court.

The Brightwood Railroad Company today filed exceptions to the answer of the defendant in the case of the company mentioned against the Metropolitan Railroad Company asking for reciprocal trackage.

The exceptions are that the Metropolitan road did not answer as required by the court to the propositions and queries of the Brightwood company as to its proposed schedule for running the cars of the latter over the tracks of the former, as to the compensation to be paid for the use of its tracks and motive power, as to the proposed routes to be used by the petitioning company and because the answer as a whole is not in conformity or compliance with the order of the court.

It is also claimed to be evasive of special questions and contains matters irrelevant to the issues under consideration. So far as the objection raised by the Metropolitan Company, as to the mechanical difficulties presented, the Brightwood road claims it is not pertinent to the questions involved.

The Brightwood Company therefore petitions the court to compel the defendant company to file a full and sufficient answer, without evasion, and omitting all irrelevant matter and matters not pertinent to the questions at issue.

Launching the Formidable.
London, Nov. 17.—The new battleship Formidable was successfully launched from the Portsmouth dockyard today, in the presence of a large gathering of distinguished people, including Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, and Mr. Goschen, first lord of the admiralty. The vessel was christened by Lady Hicks-Beach.

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